Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, South Dakota and the community of Pierre appreciate the economic impact "Dances With Wolves" has had on the Pierre area--such as flystrips being on back order all across town; and,

WHEREAS, One local watering hole is rumored to be changing its name to "The TIGbranch," out of sheer amazement for its rising Saturday night sales; and,

WHEREAS, Rumors are something South Dakotans take pride in NOT being part of, but I would like Robert Redford's autograph if and when he shows up to direct the film--could he be brought by the house?; and,

WHEREAS, As Governor, I would be hip to be in the film but, as a northern Republican Governor in his first term, I'd prefer NOT to be cast as a confederate infantryman...ESPECIALLY one who takes a bullet to the head...thank you very much; and,

WHEREAS, As Governor, I am glad to hear you are working with the state Game, Fish and Parks Department to obtain road kill for some of the scenes. However, please drivers stick to the road and leave the dirty work to the South Dakota motorists; and,

WHEREAS, The Governor's office door is always open to you, Kevin, except after days you've wallowed in carcass-filled streams or chased 3,000 excited buffalo--if you think flies can do damage, just wait to see what well-fed, two-ton animals can do to a set. Black tie is optional, showers are not:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 18, 1989, as

"DANCES WITH WOLVES" DAY

in South Dakota, and I speak on behalf of the citizens of this state in wishing you great success with your film.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of July, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Nine

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE